

Business Email Compromise Scam



A dutiful employee may be duped into making false payments that can hurt a business's bottom line.

In the Business Email Compromise Scam, a con artist sends an employee an urgent email that appears to be from the company's owner or a manager. The email directs the employee to immediately pay a client through a wire transfer or other means. Instead, the money ends up in the fraudster's account.

Criminals use similar tactics to get information they can use to access a company's email system and send fake invoices to the business's clients.

To learn about other frauds, visit <http://da.lacounty.gov/community/fraud-alerts>

Helpful Tips

- Closely review payment requests.
- Ensure email and web addresses are real.
- Independently confirm wire transfer and other payment details with all parties involved.



IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS BEEN THE VICTIM OF A SCAM, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.



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